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The Yeek

Aristasian slang term for post-Eclipse, and especially post-1980s Britain.

The name comes from:

- The tendency of the post-British to use the term "the U.K." in place of the more traditional "Britain" or "England".
- The tendency of Estuary English, the argot of the "Yeek", to thin the "oo" sound toward "ee", thus their pronunciation of "the U.K." sounds to an Aristasian ear (or any ear used to Received English and untainted by the post-1980s British mass-media) like "Yeekay".

Thus contemporary Britain (or "post-Britain") is termed *The Yeekay*, or *the Yeek* for short. Occasionally the terms *the Yurk* and *the Yuk* are used with the same meaning.

Denizens of the Yeek - particularly those who speak and dress in ways typical of their era - are known as Yeeks.

The play upon the interjection "Yeek!" is sometimes consciously used, for example, when a member of a party of Aristasians outside Britain notes the incursion of a party of British, she may exclaim "Yeek!" to alert the others to their presence.

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